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GLYNN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AGENDA ITEM REPORT

DATE: August 6, 2026

SPONSOR: A. Vicent

ITEM TYPE: Easment

AGENDA SECTION: CONSENT AGENDA - General Business

AGENDA LANGUAGE: Approve the Non-Exclusive Easement Agreement between Glynn County and the Georgia Ports Authority for the Emanuel Church Road Drainage Improvement Project; authorize the Chairman to execute the agreement; and authorize staff to record the fully executed agreement in the Office of the Clerk of Superior Court of Glynn County. (A. Vicent)

BACKGROUND: Glynn County is advancing the Emanuel Church Road Drainage Improvement Project near Emanuel Church Road and Fish Hall Road. The project is intended to reduce runoff and sediment damage to downstream resources and includes installation of two new stormwater pipes beneath the Georgia Ports Authority (GPA) railroad tracks. The proposed easement area also contains two existing County storm sewer culverts consisting of 36-inch and 48-inch reinforced concrete pipe.

The attached Non-Exclusive Easement Agreement grants Glynn County a 50-year easement across GPA's railroad right-of-way. The easement area is approximately 65 feet by 115 feet and is identified in Exhibit A and Exhibit B of the agreement. GPA's Board has approved the easement, subject to execution by Glynn County. Under the agreement, the County will be responsible, at its sole cost, for construction, operation, maintenance, repair, replacement, and—if required—removal of the new and existing stormwater facilities. The County must restore any disturbed GPA property,

coordinate all access and work activities with GPA, obtain the necessary temporary right-of-entry approvals from Golden Isles Terminal Railroad for work near the tracks, and ensure that rail operations are not interrupted.

The agreement also requires Glynn County to maintain specified insurance coverage throughout the term. In addition, all County contractors and subcontractors performing work within the easement area must meet the heightened insurance provisions in Section 19(b), including \$5 million commercial general liability coverage, rail-proximity endorsements, GPA additional-insured status, and required certificates of insurance prior to commencing work.

Approval is requested to authorize the Chairman of the Glynn County Board of Commissioners to execute the Non-Exclusive Easement Agreement with the Georgia Ports Authority, with wet signatures, and to authorize staff to record the fully executed agreement in the Office of the Clerk of Superior Court of Glynn County.

ATTACHMENTS:

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